

Need for supply chain observatory on tenure and human rights

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TACKLING DEFORESTATION THROUGH EU DUE DILIGENCE: LESSONS AND PROPOSALS FROM BRAZIL 10 September 2020

Law proposals

Why do we need a Tenure and Human Rights observatory?

- 1. Brazilian goals in the Paris agreement are fragile
- 2. Human rights violation related to crop production in Brazil is a key issue but still weakly highlighted
- 3. Setbacks in legal framework and enforcement in Brazilian government for the Amazon jeopardizes safeguards

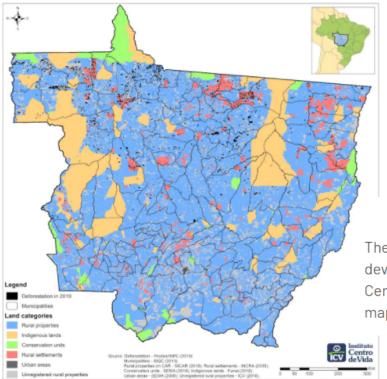
Paris Agreement - Brazilian NDC

Strengthening and enforcing the implementation of the Forest Code, at federal, state and municipal levels;

Strengthening policies and measures with a view to achieve, in the Brazilian Amazon, zero illegal deforestation by 2030 and compensate for greenhouse gas emissions from legal suppression of vegetation by 2030;



Brazil: impunity stimulates illegal deforestation in Mato Grosso's Amazon



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Several Law proposals turn illegal deforestation in to legal

- Land regularization new areas allowed to deforest considering the Forest Code
- Forest Code changes extinguish Legal Reserve
- Licensing flexibilities

Infra legal changes done by the Government

- Decree nº 9.760/2019: new phase on procedures (Conciliation board)
- Decree n.º 6.961/2019: **legalize sugar cane plantation in the Amazon**
- Despacho Interpretativo n.º 7036900/2020: extinguish timber exportation fiscalization
- Despacho Interpretativo n.º 4.410/2020: Allow aplication of the Forest Code (general law) in Atlantic Forest region (regulated by specific law 11.428/2006)

human rights violation

- Homologated Indigenous Lands and titled quilombos present less pressure for deforestation in the interior compared to the surroundings;
- CAR overlap in traditional territories;
- Impacts of infrastructure agenda on indigenous lands and traditional territories

human rights violation

Besides land tenure rights, other aspects should be consider

Violation of labor rights
Water quality
Vulnerability to diseases
Food security challenges

Data availability

- Possible changes in INPE
- Existing independent systems (MapBiomas, Imazon, SIRAD, OPI, CIMI)
- Local communities engagement



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